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"AN ACT CONCERNING RESPONSIBLE AND EQUITABLE REGULATION OF ADULT-USE CANNABIS."

- 1 In line 4655, after "person." insert "If a person does not have a driver's
- 2 license or identity card, the cannabis establishment shall inform such
- 3 person that such card may be obtained free of charge or at a lesser fee in
- 4 accordance with section 1-1h of the general statutes."
- 5 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 6 internal references accordingly:
- 7 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 9-261 of the general statutes is
- 8 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 9 2021):
- 10 (a) In each primary, election or referendum, when an elector has
- 11 entered the polling place, the elector shall announce the elector's street
- 12 address, if any, and the elector's name to the official checker or checkers
- in a tone sufficiently loud and clear as to enable all the election officials

14 present to hear the same. Each elector [who registered to vote by mail 15 for the first time on or after January 1, 2003, and has a "mark" next to the 16 elector's name on the official registry list, as required by section 9-23r,] 17 shall present to the official checker or checkers, before the elector votes, 18 either (1) a current and valid photo identification that shows the elector's 19 name and address, [or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, 20 government check, paycheck or other government document that shows 21 the name and address of the elector. Each other elector shall (1) present 22 to the official checker or checkers the elector's Social Security card] or (2) 23 any other preprinted form of identification which shows the elector's 24 name, address and [either the elector's address, signature or] 25 photograph. [, or (2) on a form prescribed by the Secretary of the State, 26 write the elector's residential address and date of birth, print the 27 elector's name and sign a statement under penalty of false statement that 28 the elector is the elector whose name appears on the official checklist. 29 Such form shall clearly state the penalty of false statement. A separate 30 form shall be used for each elector. If the elector presents a preprinted 31 form of identification under subdivision (1) of this subsection, the 32 official checker or checkers shall check the name of such elector on the 33 official checklist, manually on paper or electronically. If the elector 34 completes the form under subdivision (2) of this subsection, the registrar 35 of voters or the assistant registrar of voters, as the case may be, shall 36 examine the information on such form and either instruct the official 37 checker or checkers to check the name of such elector on the official 38 checklist, manually on paper or electronically, or notify the elector that 39 the form is incomplete or inaccurate.]

Sec. 502. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 1-1h of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Any person who does not possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for an identity card. The application for an identity card shall be accompanied by the birth certificate of the applicant or a certificate of identification of the applicant issued and authorized for such use by the Department of

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48 Correction and, except as provided in this subsection, a fee of twenty-49 eight dollars. Such application shall include: (1) The applicant's name; 50 (2) the applicant's address; (3) whether the address is permanent or 51 temporary; (4) the applicant's date of birth; (5) notice to the applicant 52 that false statements on such application are punishable under section 53 53a-157b; and (6) such other pertinent information as the Commissioner 54 of Motor Vehicles deems necessary. The applicant shall sign the 55 application in the presence of an official of the Department of Motor 56 Vehicles. The commissioner shall waive the fee for any applicant who 57 does not have the means to pay such fee, including any applicant who 58 is a resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for homeless persons. 59 The commissioner may waive the fee for any applicant (A) who has 60 voluntarily surrendered such applicant's motor vehicle operator's 61 license, (B) whose license has been refused by the commissioner 62 pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 14-36, or (C) who 63 is both a veteran, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, and 64 blind, as defined in subsection (a) of section 1-1f. [, or (D) who is a 65 resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for homeless persons. 66 The] Not later than September 1, 2021, the commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to establish 67 68 the procedure and qualifications for the issuance of an identity card to 69 any such [homeless] applicant who does not have the means to pay the 70 fee for such identity card.

- (b) (1) An identity card shall indicate its date of expiration, contain a picture of the applicant and specify the applicant's height, sex and eye color.
- (2) (A) An original identity card shall expire within a period not exceeding seven years following the date of the applicant's next birthday. Any person who holds an identity card may be notified by the commissioner before its expiration and may renew such card in such manner as the commissioner shall prescribe. Upon renewal of an identity card, the commissioner may issue an identity card for a period to be determined by the commissioner, provided such period does not exceed eight years. [The] Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this

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82 subdivision, (i) the fee for the renewal of an identity card that expires 83 eight years from the date of issuance shall be thirty-two dollars, [. The] and (ii) the commissioner shall charge a prorated amount of such fee for 84 85 an identity card that expires less than eight years from the date of 86 issuance. The commissioner shall not provide notification by mail to the 87 holder of an identity card if the United States Postal Service has 88 determined that mail is undeliverable to such person at the address for 89 such person that is in the records of the department.

(B) The commissioner shall waive the fee for the renewal of an identify card, or any prorated amount of such fee, for any person who does not have the means to pay such fee or prorated amount.

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- Sec. 503. Subdivision (4) of subsection (d) of section 9-23g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
 - (4) If on the day of an election or primary, the name of an applicant does not appear on the official check list, such applicant may present to the moderator at the polls either a notice of acceptance received through the mail or an application receipt that was previously provided to the applicant pursuant to section 9-19e, subsection (b) of section 9-19h, subsection (b) of this section or section 9-23n. If an applicant presents said notice or receipt, and either the registrars of voters find the original application or the applicant submits a new application at the polls, the registrar, or assistant registrar upon notice to and approval by the registrar, shall add such person's name and address to the official check list on such day and the person shall be allowed to vote if otherwise eligible to vote and the person presents to the checkers at the polling place either a current and valid photo identification or a preprinted form of identification [pursuant to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-261] which shows the person's name, address and photograph.
- Sec. 504. Section 9-23r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) On or after January 1, 2003, any person who is applying, by mail, to register to vote for the first time in this state may submit as part of such voter registration application: (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification, (2) a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows the name and address of the voter, (3) a valid Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license number, or (4) the last four digits of the individual's Social Security number. Members of the armed forces and persons entitled to use the federal post card application for absentee ballots under section 9-153a are not required to provide identification when registering by mail. No information submitted as part of a voter registration application under this subsection shall be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act pursuant to chapter 14, except for the name, address, date of birth and telephone number of the applicant.

- (b) If an individual submits such information pursuant to this section as part of the individual's voter registration application and, with respect to subdivision (3) or (4) of subsection (a) of this section, the registrars of voters are able to match the information submitted with an existing Connecticut identification record bearing the same number, name and date of birth as provided, such individual shall not be required to produce identification when voting [in person or] by absentee ballot. [and may sign a statement as described in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-261 in lieu of presenting identification when voting in person.]
- (c) Any additional documentation submitted as part of the voter registration application pursuant to this section may be destroyed by the registrars of voters after verification pursuant to the Help America Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time.
 - (d) If an individual described in subsection (a) of this section does not submit the identification described in subsection (a) of this section as part of the individual's application for admission as an elector, when the individual has entered the polling place in an election for federal office,

the individual shall present: (1) A current and valid photo identification, 147 148 or (2) [a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, 149 paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter any other preprinted form of identification which 150 151 shows the individual's name, address and photograph. If an individual 152 does not meet the requirements of this subsection in an election for 153 federal office, such individual may cast a provisional ballot prescribed 154 under sections 9-232i to 9-232o, inclusive.

- (e) If an individual described in subsection (a) of this section does not submit the identification described in subsection (a) of this section as part of the individual's application for admission as an elector, and if the individual votes by absentee ballot in an election for federal office, the individual shall enclose in the outer absentee ballot envelope, and not in the inner envelope with the ballot: (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification, or (2) a copy of [a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter] any other preprinted form of identification which shows the individual's name, address and photograph. If an individual does not meet the requirements of this subsection in an election for federal office, such individual's absentee ballot shall be processed in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of section 9-150a and treated as a provisional ballot for federal office only, pursuant to sections 9-232i to 9-232o, inclusive.
- 171 Sec. 505. Subsection (a) of section 9-158e of the general statutes is 172 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 173 2021):
- 174 (a) A person applying for a presidential ballot in person shall present: 175 (1) A current and valid photo identification, or (2) a copy of [a current 176 utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter] any other preprinted form of identification which shows the 179 individual's name, address and photograph. The application for a

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presidential ballot by mail shall be accompanied by: (A) A copy of a current and valid photo identification, or (B) a copy of [a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows the name and address of the voter] any other preprinted form of identification which shows the individual's name, address and photograph. Upon receipt of an application for a presidential ballot under sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive, the clerk, if satisfied that the application is proper and that the applicant is qualified to vote under said sections, shall forthwith give or mail to the applicant, as the case may be, a ballot for presidential and vice-presidential electors for use at the election and instructions and envelopes for its return."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2021	9-261(a)
Sec. 502	from passage	1-1h(a) and (b)
Sec. 503	July 1, 2021	9-23g(d)(4)
Sec. 504	July 1, 2021	9-23r
Sec. 505	July 1, 2021	9-158e(a)